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COTTAM & Co.,  
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TIENTHIN RUGS AND SQUARES.  
IRISH TABLE LINEN  
FRENCH BLANKETS,  
Very warm but not heavy.  
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70, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
Hongkong.

**Banks.**  
THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA  
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.  
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.  
CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... \$800,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS ..... \$800,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... \$350,000  
INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT  
ACCOUNT at the Rate of a per cent. per  
annum on the Daily Balance.  
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.  
" " 6 " 34 "  
" " 3 " 24 "  
T. H. WHITEHEAD,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 19th October, 1896. [53]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED.  
Authorised Capital ..... \$1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital ..... \$500,000  
HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.  
Court of Directors:—  
D. Gillies, Esq. | Chow Tung Shang, Esq.  
H. Stolterfoth, Esq. | Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.  
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.  
Chief Manager,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.  
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1896. [7]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... \$10,000,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... \$6,000,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS ..... \$10,000,000  
Court of Directors:—  
A. McCONACHIE, Esq.—Chairman.  
St. C. MICHAELSON, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.  
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M. D. Eschel, Esq. | R. Shaw, Esq.  
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Chief Manager:  
Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.  
MANAGER:  
Shanghai—J. P. WADDE GARDNER, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY  
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.  
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED  
On Current Account at the rate of a per cent.  
per annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 months, 2½ per cent per annum.  
For 6 months, 3 per cent per annum.  
For 12 months, 4 per cent per annum.  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 13th November, 1896. [31]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.  
THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be  
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per  
cent. per annum.  
Depositors may transfer at their option  
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED  
DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.  
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [32]

CAROLIN EUMA VENARIUS  
USED FOR 20 YEARS.  
WITH THE Utmost Success.  
Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood  
and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus  
Rot and Dampness.  
Sole Agents for China,  
SCHELE & Co.  
Hongkong, 15th May, 1896. [52]

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PETROLEUM ENGINES  
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FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.

WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.

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A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P.

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SCHELE & Co., HONGKONG,  
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471 NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.

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CLUB HOTEL,  
5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT. Experienced English matron in attendance.

The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of staying either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager, YOKOHAMA.

HOTEL  
METROPOLE,  
1, TSURUJI, TOKYO.

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ANNUAL REVENUE OVER ONE MILLION  
STERLING.

For Forms of Proposal and every information,  
Apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1896. [464]

EMPEROR ASSURANCE CORPORATION,  
LIMITED.

FIRE AND MARINE.

WE have This Day been appointed  
AGENTS, and are prepared to accept  
RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Hongkong, 28th April, 1896. [743]

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1894.

CAPITAL ..... \$2,000,000  
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY ..... \$4,860,533  
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM ..... \$75,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the  
above Company we are prepared to  
accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS  
at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896. [1373]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above  
Company are prepared to accept First  
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at  
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSON & Co.,  
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 \$833,333-33  
EQUAL TO ..... \$318,000.00  
RESERVE FUND ..... \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. | LO YUEN MOON, Esq.  
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq. |

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken  
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the  
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1896. [1374]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,  
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world  
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,  
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,  
Hongkong, 26th May, 1896. [247]

MASONIC.

ZETLAND LODGE,  
No. 126, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above  
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'  
HALF, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 1st  
December, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting  
Brothers are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1896. [1820]

TRADE MARK.

ESTD. 1864.

TELEPHONE—75.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.,  
WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

15, QUEEN'S ROAD ..... HONGKONG.

4, FOOCHOW ROAD ..... SHANGHAI.

LEADENHALL HOUSE ..... LONDON.

ST. Enoch's SQUARE ..... GLASGOW.

AGENCIES:—

AMOY, CANTON, FOOCHOW, CHEFOO, HANKOW,

SINGAPORE, TIENTSIN, TAIWANFOO and KOBE.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1896. [59]

TRADE MARK.

ESTD. 1864.

TELEPHONE—75.

W. POWELL & CO.

GENT'S WHITE KID GLOVES.

GENT'S DRESS SHIRTS (Wide Fronts).

GENT'S DANCING PUMPS.

GENT'S PATENT LEATHER SHOES.

GENT'S SILK STOCKS.

GENT'S WHITE TIES, &c., &c.

SCOTCH TARTAN SASHES.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1896. [1804]

TRADE MARK.

ESTD. 1864.

TELEPHONE—75.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,  
SHIPCHANDLERS,

DECK AND ENGINE-ROOM STORES OF ALL KINDS.

HUBBUCK'S FIRST QUALITY PAINTS and OILS.

SIR CHAS. PRICE'S ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.

EAGLEBERT'S CYLINDER OIL.

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FOR SHIPS BOTTOMS.

This Composition has been Supplied to all the Navies of the World and all the principal  
Steamship Companies.

INNUMERABLE TESTIMONIALS.

FRESH WATER SUPPLIED.

CALL FLAG "R."

Hongkong, 11th November, 1896. [1804]

TRADE MARK.

ESTD. 1864.

TELEPHONE—75.

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Intimation.

EYE-SIGHT.

NOTICE.

M. R. N. LAZARUS, OCULIST-OPHTHALMICIAN, of LONDON and CALCUTTA, may be consulted for EYE-SPECTACLES at the HONGKONG HOTEL (Room No. 130).

FOR A FEW DAYS ONLY.

A great proportion of cataracts and diseases affecting those advancing in life occur to those having some deficiency in the construction of the eyes—the many years of "Eye Strain" ending in serious forms of disease. Glasses specially adapted in youth to those requiring them save and preserve the sight.

Constantly recurring headaches, spells of dimness when reading, weak eyes, the letters running together; any of these symptoms indicate a deficiency in the form of the eyes requiring Glasses only to correct and cure.

Mr. LAZARUS supplies his SPECTACLES only after testing the sight.

ADVICE FREE.

HONGKONG HOTEL,  
(Room No. 130).  
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1896. [1697]

Co-day's Advertisements.

DENTON E. PETERSON, D.D.S.,  
5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
Hongkong.

D. R. PETERSON wishes to announce that he is prepared to receive PATIENTS at his HONGKONG OFFICE from This Date.

The Coast Ports will be visited at usual.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1821]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.  
THE Company's Steamship

"THALES,"  
Captain Douglas, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 27th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1821]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-AUSTRALIA LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.  
(Under Mail Contract.)

FOR THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> LAND, TOWNSVILLE;  
BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND  
MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TOKIO MARU"  
will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 15th December, at Noon.  
This Steamer is fitted with Superior Passenger Accommodation and carries a duly qualified Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1825]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-BOMBAY LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.  
(Under Mail Contract.)

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND  
BOMBAY.  
(Calling at TUTICORIN on the homeward  
voyage).

THE Company's Steamship

"HIROSHIMA MARU,"  
Captain C. Andersen, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 18th December, at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1826]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT  
SAID, MARSEILLES, LONDON  
AND ANTWERP.

THE Company's Steamship

"YAMAGUCHI MARU,"  
Captain Allen, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 19th December, at Noon, instead of as previously advised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1739]

JAVA, CHINA, JAPAN LINE OF  
STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE  
ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY  
OF NETHERLANDS INDIA

PROPOSED SAILINGS.  
(Subject to Alterations)

JAVA, HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA, KOBE,  
AMOY, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE,  
JAPAN.

FROM HONGKONG.

S.S. *Germania*.... To JAVA.... Dec.

S.S. *Cassius*.... To JAPAN ... Dec.

S.S. *Cassius*.... To JAVA.... January.

S.S. *Federat*.... To JAPAN ... January.

General Agents for China & Japan  
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1828]

Co-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"NANYANG,"  
Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMESSEN & CO.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1824]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"KALGAN,"  
Captain Clegg, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 27th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1811]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK &  
COMPANY, LIMITED,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

R ASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & CO.'S WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, RESTAURANTS and Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1827]

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Complaints against the editor or any article must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the column of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting the Colony, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

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AND

S P I R I T S.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the DISPENSARY before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of every superior Vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest Priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure COGNAC, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKEY.—All our Whiskey is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. THE SCOTCH WHISKEY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1896. [1828]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1896.

Mr. MINZUNO, President of the former Administrative Office, being about to be transferred to another post, Mr. Nakamura Motoo, member of the House of Peers (late Governor of Gunnas Ken) will, according to the *Japan Mail*, succeed to that office.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The report of the Directors of the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Company for the half-year ending 30th June was circulated amongst shareholders shortly before the last mail left England. It can only be regarded by shareholders as a highly satisfactory statement of the Company's affairs, while to those who take an interest in the agitation recently started in the Far East to induce the United Companies to bring their demands within the bounds of reason and fair play it will be exceedingly interesting, for it not only shows that the gross receipts have greatly increased, but that the Directors admit the Agreement with the Great Northern Co. and Chinese Telegraph Administration was "ratified by all the interested Governments on the 31st July last and was brought into operation the following day."

It is stated in the report that certain reductions in rates between India and China, Japan, etc., will come in force on 1<sup>st</sup> January next, while other reductions of through rates agreed upon at the International Telegraph Conference recently held at Buda-pehth will take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 1897. The Directors say the immediate effect of these reductions "will undoubtedly be a falling off of revenue, but they hope that in time the loss will be diminished by increase of business." That the loss will be made good by an expansion of traffic no sensible man will doubt for one moment; for if the high tariff was not calculated to restrict business the various Chambers of Commerce would not have troubled themselves to call special meetings to consider the action of the Companies and protest against their extortionate demands.

The report of the E. E. A. & C. Company, now under notice, sets forth that the gross receipts, including Government subsidies, amounted during the six months ending 30th June to £13,914, against £26,138 for the corresponding half-year of 1896. The working expenses, including £19,916 for cost of repairs to cables and expenses of ships, absorb £87,256, against £95,254 for the corresponding period of 1895, leaving a balance of £226,658. From this is deducted £4,028 for income-tax, £20,000 transferred to the fire insurance fund, £31,895 for interest on debentures, debenture stock, and contribution to sinking fund, leaving £170,735 as the net profit for the half-year. Two quarterly interim dividends of 1<sup>st</sup> per cent. each, amounting to £6,500, have been paid for the half-year, leaving £108,235, of which £75,000 has been transferred to the general reserve fund, and the balance of £33,235 is carried forward. The working of the Australasia tariff arrangement for the fifth year of guarantee, ended April 30th last, resulted in the guaranteed figure being again exceeded, this being due to the rigging. It just missed Capt. Gamble, who had a few seconds before moved from the exact spot where it made its mark on the deck. There was then a full in the stormy weather for two days, followed by a howling hurricane, which struck the vessel with enormous force, laying her over on her beam ends for several seconds. For nine hours the vessel was hoisted to, during which time the starboard life-boat was torn out of the davits, the port life-boat was smashed into match-wood, while the Captain's cutter was so damaged as to be altogether beyond redemption. Happily none of the crew were seriously injured.

News was received at Plymouth on the 22nd ult. of the terrible experiences of Her Majesty's cruiser *Talbot* while en route from Plymouth to Halifax. It appears that she encountered a terrific gale and that a few hours after leaving Plymouth the main topmast carried away with the main mast-head semaphore, weighing 15 cwt. As it crashed through the rigging it just missed Capt. Gamble, who had a few seconds before moved from the exact spot where it made its mark on the deck. There was then a full in the stormy weather for two days, followed by a howling hurricane, which struck the vessel with enormous force, laying her over on her beam ends for several seconds. For nine hours the vessel was hoisted to, during which time the starboard life-boat was torn out of the davits, the port life-boat was smashed into match-wood, while the Captain's cutter was so damaged as to be altogether beyond redemption. Happily none of the crew were seriously injured.

The shipping world has lost one of its members whose name as the head of a large shipowning firm must be known throughout the world, Sir Edward Bates, founder of the firm of Edward Bates & Sons, shipowners and merchants, Liverpool, and for many years M.P. for Plymouth. He died at his residence, Manydown Park, near Basingstoke, on the 17th ult., in his eightieth year. In his earlier years Mr. Bates spent, says *Faraday*, some time in commercial pursuits in India acquiring the experience which enabled him still a young man to establish and develop so successfully his Liverpool business. Probably the main factor in his success was his early recognition of the valuable results to be obtained from the use of iron instead of wood in shipbuilding. Upwards of forty years ago, while most shipowners were adding wood vessels to their fleets, Mr. Bates, then carrying on business under his sole name, had already discarded wooden and built vessels of iron. The old *Dreadnought*, *Kaliwa*, *Odowra*, *Ellen Bates*, *Flying Venus* and others, as well as the frigate-like large iron ship *Bates Family*, who got hold of every note possible so as to reduce the circulation of paper which interferes so seriously with their favourite dollar Juggling tricks by which the shipowners rob the unsophisticated foreigners and the wily native allies at every deal. The main point to which this issue should be limited, is that it should not be too extensive, but should be rather small at first and gradually increased if necessary. The Chinese ratepayers are sure to take to the proposed issue, as *Kangaroo's* credit is deservedly of the highest in their eyes, but it will rather startle financiers and receivers of civic administration at home to find the Model Republic of Shanghai taking the lead in such an important direction, which is almost communistic in its tendency. It certainly is a lesson in liberality to find the idea supported by the leading bankers, but we must not carry the principle too far, or we shall drift into the inevitable position of some of those ideal American communities which live by taking in each other's washing. Selling light, drapery, baths, paving, ice-chests, etc., and now banking are quite enough for the municipal shop to look after. We cannot progress publicly much more without encroaching upon the rights of private enterprise. Municipalities while all this progress is being made by our Municipal government we note a disposition in some quarters to deny the Municipality the simplest rights of police, in the matter of arrest. We certainly are either going too fast or too slow or our residents are behind the spirit of the age. But whatever it may be, we welcome every symptom which tends to strengthen the hands and to erode and receive the status of the Municipality as distinguished from the paralyzing tendency of Colonial government, and we consider the step now proposed is a commendable one in every aspect from which it may be viewed.—*China Gazette*.

MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW.—26th November.

A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., pay an interim dividend, on account of 1896, of 50 cents per share, to-day.

FRIDAY.—27th November.

4 to 6 and 8.30 to 11.45 p.m.—Elite Skating Rink, at Victoria Hall, Duddell Street.

SATURDAY.—28th November.

Indian mail due.

11.45 a.m.—Auction of household furniture, &c., at No. 3, Magdalene Terrace, Magdalene Gap, by Mr. G. P. Lamont.

NOON.—Stationary meeting of the Dairy Farm Co. at the Depot.

SUNDAY.—29th November.

Pontian-place, and was there accused by two Chinese, with whom he got into conversation. He did not suppose that they were connected with the Chinese Legation, otherwise he would have been on his guard. The Chinese finally invited him into "their lodgings" to partake of refreshment, and Sun Yat Sen accepted the hospitality. The "lodgings" proved to be the Chinese Legation. As soon as he had set his foot within the door, he was seized and hustled into an upstairs room, where he has been confined under lock and key ever since. The door is not only locked, but is guarded by servants of the Legation, and the window of the room has been firmly screwed down and barred. The man who superintended the operations was an English-speaking official of the Legation. "It," said the doctor friend, "the British people do not move the authorities to compel the release of the prisoner, he may lose his life. Sun Yat Sen himself fears that he will be poisoned. So strong is this fear that he dare not trust himself to eat any but the very plainest food supplied to him, and he takes even that with daily increasing misgivings." According to the doctor, Sun Yat Sen is a British subject, having been born in Hongkong, but this is by no means certain. He is about thirty years of age, and a fully qualified doctor, having obtained a Diploma from a Medical College of repute. There is little reason to doubt that he got mixed up in some conspiracy.

It is stated that the Chinese Minister repudiates the suggestion that Sun Yat Sen is a British subject. According to the Chinese authorities, he was not born in Hongkong, and, though well known in that colony, was never naturalised. His connection with the abortive attempt against the Viceroy of Canton was well known, and it was marvellous how he succeeded in making good his escape to America. While in Washington his movements were closely followed by spies acting on behalf of the Chinese Minister. His arrival in England was duly noted by the Legation officials, and it is stated that on more than one occasion before he was detained he visited the Legation. Sun Yat Sen is declared to be a most intelligent and enlightened Chinaman, whose education has been carried out chiefly on European lines, and he is said to have made many influential friends during the time he has been in London. The question of International Law, which the Chinese Ambassador is determined to fight out with the British Government, is a very delicate one. By a statute passed in the reign of Queen Anne it is maintained that a foreign Consulate, Legation, or embassy is foreign territory. No writ of attachment or *habeas corpus* can be served on a representative of a foreign monarch or Government; and the only law in force in such a building is that of the country represented by the Minister. The question of the removal of a person is, however, more complicated and uncertain, and it is understood that the real reason why no attachment has been made to remove Sun Yat Sen is the fear that he will be immediately captured by the police, and that any further legal proceedings would be fruitless. The Chinese Minister is understood to maintain that the case of Said Khalid and the German Consul at Zanzibar is analogous to that of Sun Yat Sen.

Yesterday an application was made on Sun Yat Sen's behalf to a Judge in Chambers, but the Central News is informed that his lordship stated his inability to interfere in the case. The same view is understood to prevail at Whitehall and at Scotland Yard.—*L and C Express.*  
WHAT THE "STANDARD" THINKS.  
The Standard in the course of some comment on the case says:—  
The case put forward by Sir Halliday Macarthur is that Sun Yat Sen had several times visited the premises of the Legation of his own accord, and that it was on one of these occasions that he was seized by the authorities. If this view is right, we shall have to credit a conspirator who had fled from Chinese soil to the United States, and knew that he carried his life in his hands, with an abnormal degree of simplicity. "He came to spy on us" is one of the explanations suggested by the officials. That is, on the face of it, an absurdity. The story told by his friends is that he was seized just outside the Legation and forcibly carried inside. If such is proved to be the case, the British Government have a clear right and duty to demand his release. Should it be the law that no writ of *habeas corpus* can be issued with regard to a person outside our jurisdiction, it would devolve on the Foreign Office to insist upon his extradition. No doctrine as to the extra-territorial qualities of an Embassy or Legation would cover a case of kidnapping. But even if it were shown that the arrest had not been wrongfully carried out, nice questions would arise as to the future position of the prisoner. One thing is clear. He cannot be executed, or subjected to any inquisitorial method of examination, while he remains within our shores. The opinion of Englishmen would not allow the technical fiction, that the house of a Foreign Representative is part of the territory of the State by which he is accredited to us, to be stretched to such monstrous lengths. It would be impossible to maintain diplomatic relations with a Power which set up so exorbitant a claim. Nor should we permit Sun Yat Sen, if captured by fraud or force, to be conveyed out of the United Kingdoms. We trust that no attempt will be made to carry out an enterprise that would cause the gravest kind of unpleasantness between the two Governments.

As will be remembered, probably, Lord Salisbury demanded and obtained promptly the release of Sun-Yat-Sen.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.

#### STARS.

To the Editors of the "Hongkong Telegraph."  
Sir,—I notice in your last night's issue that you call attention to the "Star" Ferry Co.'s new launch "Star No. 2," and you exclaim—"Surely the stars are not all exhausted!" Might I suggest a few to the promoters of this popular line of steam packet. There is a "Star of the East," "Twinkling Star," "Pole Star" and even a "Falling Star," as well as a "Shooting Star." And then we have the "stars" of the stage, but the latter, of course don't come into our only astronomer's category. But why not get our worthy astronomer to search the heavens for a new star and thereby get hold of something original and so amaze all who read it.

STAR-LIGHT.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896.

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The Right Rev. L. M. Pascali begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the following donations for the Home for the Aged and Infirm:—  
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#### LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

##### SUPREME COURT.

##### CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before his Lordship Dr. J. W. Carrington, C.M.G., Chief Justice.)

November 25th.

##### ALLEGED SERIOUS ASSAULT ON AN EX-EXCISE OFFICER.

The hearing of the case against Wong San, Ko Kum, and Young Fat, before the Court yesterday charged with having thrown powdered arsenic in the eyes of Pang On, was proceeded with at 10 o'clock this morning. Mr. Robinson appearing on behalf of the Crown and Mr. J. Francis, Q.C., for the defence.

Lok Hong, the first witness, said that the complainant was his uncle on the mother's side.

He saw him at about 2 p.m. on September 26 at his (witness's) residence, Wingkut St. Complainant gave him a letter to take home and then he left, witness following him along the Praya. Near the entrance of Wingkut St. a man seized complainant's hand; then another man with some "medicine" in his hand came up and put it into complainant's eyes. Three men took part in the assault and complainant cried out "Save life!" He found it was his uncle when he got near. Helped the complainant up, and then went for a chair for him. On returning witness saw complainant leave the Sing Lan shop, at the entrance to Wingkut St. Complainant's face was clean and he told witness a man in the shop had given him water to wash with. Complainant went off in the chair by himself and told witness he could see a little. The staff on complainant's face was red; he told witness it was medicine and that he felt a pain in his eyes. The three defendants were the persons who assaulted his uncle. He had seen the first prisoner before September 26th, but not the others. He had seen the first prisoner at the Opium Farm. Complainant had engaged witness as an informer for the Opium Farm in the year before last and he left this year. Complainant paid witness his wages.

To Mr. Robinson.—The police and detectives were principally outside the wharf. The complainant made no charge whatever of robbery when at the station and he did not suggest that he had done anything to offend the prisoners. Witness sent detectives out with complainant to arrest the defendants and enquiries were subsequently made, but nothing was learned.

The right eye of complainant was badly inflamed and seemed to be very sore. Complainant said nothing about having washed his face before he came to the station. The front of his jacket was wet with drops of water. Sealed the powder up and sent it to Mr. Brown, the Government analyst. The paper (produced) was what he wrapped the powder in, and the powder (produced) appeared to be the same. The first hearing of this case at the Magistracy was on September 28th and 29th and then it was taken up on the 20th October, after other hearings, the committal being on the 20th.

To His Lordship—Complainant made no formal charge at the station. Witness could not see any powder in his eyes. If complainant had only wiped his eye, that would not have taken the powder off his cheek. Could only recollect the name Young Fat mentioned by complainant. Witness said complainant was the object of the assault robbery and he had said he did not know.

Mr. Francis said the three counts in the indictment referred to the same offence in different degrees of criminality. He then explained the counts and said the jury had to come to some definite conclusion before they found the prisoners guilty on any one of the counts even the smallest. They had to be satisfied beyond doubt that the plaintiff was assaulted at the time and place named, and they had to be satisfied beyond doubt that the three defendants were the persons who assaulted him. If the man was assaulted it seemed perfectly clear that this stuff about which the Crown had told them was applied to his face and eyes in some way. If he was assaulted at all he had exaggerated very grossly, and had given the magistrate such different accounts of the assault that they hardly thought him worthy of credit. It was probable he was assaulted but he had told so many falsehoods that they could not believe him. It was possible the man was assaulted, but it was a difficult thing when he asked them to punish some persons instead of speaking the plain and simple truth. He exaggerated and made different statements, adding and inventing each time he told his story. If the jury thought he was doing that, even if he was assaulted, it would not be safe for them to act on such evidence. Could they safely convict and punish three men on the statement of one who in many respects they believed to be a liar? Counsel analysed complainant's evidence regarding his visit to his nephew and the meeting with the accused men. Complainant's accounts of the assault were also traversed at length and counsel pointed to a number of discrepancies in the evidence. Plaintiff covered his jewellry with his arms when attacked it he must have been his idea that plunders was the object and he told a tremendous falsehood when he said the men attacked him out of revenge for taking their goods. 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A. H. MANCELL,  
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Hong Kong, 9th November, 1896. [172]

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NOTICE.

THE Under-signed is now prepared to execute TATTOOING in newly invented colors, viz., GREEN, YELLOW, PURPLE, &c. Gentlemen desiring to be TATTOOED in their own Residences please to send Order which will be promptly attended to.

D. NOMA,

PROFESSIONAL TATTOOER,

14, Queen's Road East.

Hong Kong, 23rd November, 1896. [1693]

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

FOR NAGASAKI AND WLAVIDOSTOCK. THE German Steamer

"MICHAEL JENSEN,"

Captain J. Bohn, will load here the beginning of December for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,

Hong Kong, 21st November, 1896. [1696]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMOA,"

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.,

General Managers,

Hong Kong, 25th November, 1896. [1810]

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"CROMARTY,"

Captain Duncan, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,

Agents,

Hong Kong, 25th November, 1896. [1810]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENVORLICH,"

Captain Clark, will be despatched as above on or about the 26th instant.

For Freight or Passage apply to

GIBE, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents,

Hong Kong, 25th November, 1896. [1814]

"MILBURN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE,"

Morgan, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 27th instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,

Agents,

Hong Kong, 25th November, 1896. [1816]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

To follow the S.S. *Astoun*.

THE Steamship

"CLAVERTHILL,"

Captain L. Wigley, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 27th November.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOME & CO.,

Agents,

Hong Kong, 16th November, 1896. [1819]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUTSANG,"

Captain Geo. Payne, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

General Managers,

Hong Kong, 21st November, 1896. [1815]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND SORABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SHANTUNG,"

Captain Frampton, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 28th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents,

Hong Kong, 24th November, 1896. [1813]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"

Captain Nelson, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 3 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light. For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents,

Hong Kong, 23rd November, 1896. [1812]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"ULYSSES,"

Captain Brown, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 5th December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents,

Hong Kong, 18th November, 1896. [1814]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK

THE 3/4 A. L. 3/m. American Ship

"WILLIAM H. SMITH,"

Wilson, Master, will load here for the above